## What else do I need to know?



## HRCs are unable to accept any commercial waste.

Commercial Vehicle Trailer (CVT) Permits are required for certain vehicles visiting any Household Recycling Centres in Herefordshire and Worcestershire. Vehicles that need to apply for a CVT permit include commercial type vehicles (including hire vans) and trailers over 1.3m internal length (excluding draw/tow bar and hitch).

Drivers of vehicles that are subject to the CVT scheme who do not present a valid permit when visiting the Household Recycling Centres will be refused entry/tipping.

Vehicles which have been rented will need to present a hire agreement for the vehicle. Holding a valid CVT permit does not allow you to dispose of business waste, only waste from your own household can be disposed of at a Household Recycling Centre.

To apply for a permit, visit: <a href="https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/lets-waste-less/e-permits">https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/lets-waste-less/e-permits</a>

We do encourage residents, where possible, to offer reusable items via platforms such as Freecycle, Freegle and Trash Nothing. Charity shops are another option.

Alternatively, some items could be repaired at a local Repair Café.

https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/lets-waste-less/reuse-and-repair/repair-cafes

https://www.herefordshire.gov.uk/reduce-reuse-recycle/repair-cafe/2

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Domestic recycling across Herefordshire and Worcestershire

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There are 17 **Household Recycling Centres (HRCs)** across Herefordshire and Worcestershire (6 in Herefordshire and 11 in Worcestershire) where residents of Herefordshire and Worcestershire can take materials for recycling. For more info please visit: https://www.worcestershire.gov.uk/lets-waste-less/a-to-z-recycling

Across the two Counties the recycling rates at these sites generally exceeds 70%. The rate is clearly indicated on a sign at each site. These recycling rates are updated monthly.

Herefordshire HRCs are located at Bromyard, Kington, Ledbury, Leominster, Ross-on-Wye and Rotherwas/Hereford.

Worcestershire HRCs are located at Bromsgrove/Quantry Lane, Droitwich/Hanbury, Kidderminster, Malvern, Pershore/Hill and Moor, Redditch, Stourport-on-Severn, Tenbury Wells, Worcester East/Bilford Road, Upton-upon-Severn, Worcester West/Hallow Road.

Pre-booking is required at all Herefordshire HRCs.

Booking is required at Bromsgrove/Quantry Lane on Saturdays, Sundays and Mondays. Proof of residency is required at Bromsgrove and Redditch HRCs.

For more information on our locations and opening times please see: <a href="https://www.severnwaste.com/household-recycling-centres/">https://www.severnwaste.com/household-recycling-centres/</a>







# What sort of items can I take to a Household Recycling Centre?



## **Light bulbs**

These cannot be recycled from green bin collections as they contain many other components. Energy saving bulbs and fluorescent tubes have to be degassed.

All light bulbs can be placed in the fluorescent tube box.

## **Small electrical appliances**

Despite being predominantly made from plastic and/or metal, these items contain many other components which need to be separated out as part of the recycling process.

## Mobile phones, vapes, printer cartridges etc.

These items need to be placed in specialist bins as due to the different components, they need to be recycled separately.



## Clothing, shoes, textiles

Clothing, textiles and shoes if clean and dry can be taken to the clothing bank at your Household Recycling Centre.

#### Soil and Rubble

Soil and rubble can be reused in the construction industry.

#### **Plasterboard and asbestos**

These materials can only be recycled at certain HRCs. Please check our website for full details.

## **Soft furnishings**

Sofas, mattresses, soft furnishings. These must be placed in the non-recyclable container at a HRC if they cannot be reused. Due to POPs (Persistent Organic Pollutants) legislation, these items are sent for energy recovery at our **Energy from Waste Plant (EfW).** 



#### **Batteries**

Batteries cannot be included in either a black bin or a green bin as they have the potential to cause fires. These can be recycled at a HRC or a retail battery collection point. There are separate containers for smaller alkaline batteries such as AA batteries. Car batteries are stored separately.

Lead-acid type car batteries are broken apart and the acid drained off then converted to industrial chemicals or water. Lead and plastic are separated in a water bath, then melted and used in new batteries.

A similar process is used to extract and reuse the zinc, manganese, steel and components in alkaline batteries.

## **Engine Oil**

Small quantities of engine oil can be recycled at an HRC. This oil is refined and used as lubricants or processed into fuel oils.



#### **Garden Waste**

Garden Waste can be taken to an HRC and placed in the garden waste container. Garden waste is classed as plant cuttings, grass cuttings, hedge cuttings, twigs and small branches, plants and weeds (not including Japanese Knotweed). Garden waste will be processed into Greengrow soil conditioner. GreenGrow can be purchased from HRCs at £3.00 per 40 litre bag.

## Fridges, freezers, cookers, white goods etc.

These items are sent to specialist reprocessors who will de-gas appliances if required, before separating them into the different components for recycling.

A full list of which items can be taken to each individual HRC can be found here:

https://www.severnwaste.com/household-recycling-centres/



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